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Mayor Bowers is sending detailed drawings of Ball Fields (BMAC) and schedule of events today to CT. He knows EPA actively considering testing and he supports. Told him I'd touch base again by cob tomorrow.

CT is looking at both R5 personnel and readjustment of OSCs at R7's Beta Chem removal to support a BMAC test as soon as possible. The equipment is avail but we need a trained operator. Told her I'd call R5 RA if needed to expedite.

I've cleared my schedule for possible STL trip on Friday, 9 May. And LaTonya is preparing a congressional briefing for late this week.

CT will have QUAPP and supporting info prepared as soon as R7 gets the BMAC info from Bridgeton City.

Anticipate that even if R7 decides to do BMAC testing, MCE and others will criticize: "why not the haul roads," "EPA doesn't even know where haul roads are," "our own independent testing is better than EPA's," "no one trusts EPA [or MDNR] [or COE] so their testing data will be useless". We'll need to preempt these criticisms in any announcement: Mayor Bowers will be helpful in this regard, as will AG.